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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR FACILITATION - NHK

1. NHK PLANS 60-MINUTE PROGRAM ON U.S. HIGHER EDUCATION FOR PRIME-TIME BROADCAST NOV 27 AND DESIRES FPC ASSISTANCE IN SETTING UP ONE FILM INTERVIEW FOR TWO-MAN TEAM ARRIVING U.S. OCT. 19.

2. PROGRAM WILL FOCUS ON EFFECTS OF GROWING NUMBER OF UNIVERSITY GRADUATES ON SOCIETY AND ENTERPRISE, A SUBJECT ALSO ATTRACTING ATTENTION IN JAPAN. FOR THIS PROJECT NHK HAS MADE OWN ARRANGEMENTS FOR INTERVIEWS WITH NUMEROUS ACADEMICIANS IN VARIOUS PARTS OF U.S.

3. FPC IS REQUESTED TO ARRANGE INTERVIEW IN WASHDC WITH TERRELL BELL, COMMISSIONER, HEW OFFICE OF EDUCATION. TEAM PROVIDING OWN INTERPRETER. QUESTION FOR BELL: "IS HIGHER EDUCATION TODAY MEETING NEEDS OF U.S. INDUSTRY AND SOCIETY." NHK WILL SETTLE FOR SUBSTITUTE BUT PREFERS BELL BECAUSE HIS VIEWS ALREADY INTRODUCED HERE IN PRESS REPORTS.

4. NHK WISHES INTERVIEW BELL ONE HOUR ON ANY DAY BETWEEN OCT. 20-24. TEAM WILL COME TO WASHDC FROMNY ON DATE SET FOR INTERVIEW. REQUEST FPC INFORM POST OF ARRANGEMENT PRIOR TO NHK DEPARTURE FROM TOKYO OCT. 19.

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5. ITINERARY:

OCT 19 - LEAVE TOKYO FOR NY

OCT 20-25 - NY/WASH DC AREA

OCT 25 - ARRIVE HOUSTON

OCT 27-NOV 1 - SAN FRANCISCO

6. TEAM BIODATA:

HIROKATSU NUNOTANI, AGE 31. TEAM DIRECTOR. GRADUATED
TOKYO UNIVERSITY. EMPLOYED WITH NHK SINCE GRADUATION AS
PROGRAM DIRECTOR. ENGLISH POOR.

TERUYOSHI OHTANI, CAMERMAN. AGE 33. GRADUATE CHUO
UNIVERSITY. WITH NHK SINCE GRADUATION.

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